The king said to his servants, "The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."

Matthew 22:8-9
St. Francis Xavier Parish

7319 Route M Jefferson City (Taos) MO 65101

REV. MICHAEL W. PENN - PASTOR
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DEACON MICHAEL BERENDZEN 573.694.4916
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WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8:00 & 10 a.m.

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church! We are glad that you came to join us for Mass. We hope that you feel welcome in our parish community. We are a Roman Catholic community dedicated to worshiping God, proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the faith, and serving our brothers and sisters. Whether you are just visiting or looking for a faith community to call home, we hope that you feel welcome with us. May God bless you!

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.
or anytime by appointment.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Jason Hoffmeyer, President 395-4305; Mark Wankum, Vice President 573-808-5070; Sara Kerperin, Secretary 230-1112; Janet Klebba, Social Concerns 680-9925; Jody Bennett 353-4410; Bill Buschman 659-1583; Dale Heckman 645-1905; Jeff Pleus 395-4428; Tim Riley 291-3991; DeWayne Sprenger 690-3683; Sarah Twehus 528-7208; Julie Wilbers 291-6893; Josh Sandbothe, Property Manager 690-2861

MISSION STATEMENT: St. Francis Xavier Parish is an example of Christ’s Love by educating, serving and celebrating our faith with others in our community.

Adopted by Parish Council Fall 1997

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Office: 573.395.4612  Fax: 573.395.4017
School website: www.sfxtaos.com

† Pray the Rosary at 7:10 p.m. every first Wednesday of each month at the K of C Hall, Taos
† Pray the Rosary at Church before each Mass.
† Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet prior to Tuesday evening Mass at 6:40 p.m. in Church until 7:00 p.m.
† Baptism: Contact Father regarding preparation sessions and scheduling.
† Marriage: Contact Father at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling.
Mass Intentions

“All of us are called to work for the common good in our families, at our parishes, in our neighborhoods and workplaces, and in the voting booth.”

Monday, Oct 12th:
No Mass
Tuesday, Oct 13th:
7:00 p.m. - No Mass
Wednesday, Oct 14th: (School Mass Only)
8:00 a.m. - Bob & Mary Gratzi
Thursday, Oct 15th:
8:00 a.m. - Liturgy of the Word with Deacon Mike
Friday, Oct 16th:
8:00 a.m. - No Mass
Saturday Oct 17th:
5:00 p.m. - Fred, Meg & Tom Verslues
Sunday, Oct 18th:
8:00 a.m. - L&O of Hugo Mathilda Lock Family
10:00 a.m. - Carl Potts

If you know of someone who no longer needs envelopes, please contact the parish office. This is a parish expense.

For those of you who have your offertory collection done electronically and do not receive monthly envelopes, the special envelopes for Oct are: Samaritan Center, Parish School, and Capital Improvements/Repairs.

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
or would you like to learn more about the possibility? Inquiry Sessions begin the process for those who want to join the Catholic Church. An Inquiry Session will be held in October sometime. Date to be announced. Please feel free to call Fr. Michael Penn at the Parish Office if you have any questions 395-4401.

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Rosary for our Nation

Our Marian Prayer Group will be offering a Rosary for our Nation on Monday, Nov. 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Cathedral. We think it is a good time to again ask Our Lady for her prayers and intercession as we decide who will lead our nation, state and other political offices for the next two/four years. We hope you are able to join us in person. If not, please join us from wherever you are at 7:00 that evening.

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Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Sale
October 10th & 11 after all Weekend Masses.

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Parish now offers Low-Gluten Hosts. Come to the sacristy to make your request 15 minutes before Mass.

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive communion or a visit, call the office at 395-4401.

For emergencies, weekends or after-hours, Fr. Penn 395-4401
Official Decree

Remember the effective date for a decree with updated instructions for parishes is Sept. 11.

Abiding by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendations, the use of face masks upon entering the church, during the celebration of Mass except when in place in the pew, during the Communion procession, and upon leaving the church is required. If social distancing cannot be maintained in the pew, then the wearing of face masks is obligatory even in the pew.

I have extended until Nov. 27, 2020 a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday or a holy day for all the faithful of the diocese and all who are present within the diocese’s territorial boundaries. However, they are given further guidance on participating in a Mass being livestreamed or reciting specific prayers.

AUGUSTUS TOLTON PRAYER: O God, we give you thanks for your servant and priest, Father Augustus Tolton, who labored among us in times of contradiction, times that were both beautiful and paradoxical. His ministry helped lay the foundation for a truly Catholic gathering in faith in our time. We stand in the shadow of his ministry. May his life continue to inspire us and imbue us with that confidence and hope that will forge a new evangelization for the Church we love.

Father in Heaven, Father Tolton’s suffering service sheds light upon our sorrows; we see them through the prism of your Son’s passion and death. If it be your Will, O God, glorify your servant, Father Tolton, by granting the favor I now request through his intercession (mention your request) so that all may know the goodness of this priest whose memory looms large in the Church he loved.

Complete what you have begun in us that we might work for the fulfillment of your kingdom. Not to us the glory, but glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are our God, living and reigning forever and ever.

Amen

2010 Bishop Joseph N. Perry
Imprimatur
Francis Cardinal George, OMI
Archdiocese of Chicago

To report any spiritual or physical favors granted through prayer in Father Tolton’s name, please write:
Office of the Cardinal
Archdiocese of Chicago
835 North Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Religious Education
Prayer for Communion of Desire
Shelle Sandbothe, Director of Religious Education, 573-395-4401 ext. 1003
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to you. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church. And never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

Job Opportunities: St. Joseph in Fayette is hiring a part time DRE (Director of Religious Education) and community/campus outreach person. This person will be responsible to run our PSR, confirmation, and adult education programs. You will also need to have the skills to develop our electronic footprint (web page and social media), with a special focus on Central Methodist University students. All applicants must be Catholic and in good standing with the church. This position is 20 hours a week with starting pay $13.50 to $15.00 an hour, depending on qualifications. Contact Fr. Bill Peckman 573-338-0061.

The Diocese of Jefferson City is seeking a bi-lingual (Spanish/English) administrative assistant to support the Executive Director of Faith Formation and Hispanic Ministry as well as clerical support for our Vocations Department. This individual will be expected to take minutes of meetings, compose letters, and will organize events in coordination with our Events Coordinator.

Volunteers Needed: I have been working with Catholic Charities since June, and have watched it grow beyond our current volunteer capacity. I am reaching out to you to see if you might have any members that you think would be interested in volunteering with us. At this time our volunteer needs are only 2-3 times month, and focused on helping deliver our senior food boxes to seniors in Jefferson City and the surrounding area. We started in May delivering boxes to 20 seniors, and currently deliver boxes to 128 seniors a month, and have no intention of slowing that growth until all seniors in Jefferson City are reached. As already mentioned our current needs are focused on the senior food boxes program, however we hope to have our fully functioning food pantry completed by the end of 2021. So thinking forward, we would love to get volunteers on board now so as we grow they can be there with us learning too. If interested contact Laurie at the parish office. Thank you for your time and consideration.
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Everyone is invited into the kingdom of God through Jesus Christ.

To explain this idea, Jesus told a story about a king who gave a feast (see Matthew 22:1–10).

Use the clues to decide which man is the king.

Draw a crown on him.

1. He has a beard. 2. His arms are stretched out. 3. He is smiling. 4. He has sandals on.

It’s a good idea to exercise daily to strengthen our bodies. It’s even more important to ask God every day to fill us with inner strength!

Look inside the jump rope. Darken out all the lowercase letters. When you’re done, you will find what Paul discovered (Philippians 4:13).

It’s true for us, too!

“I CAN DO ALL THINGS
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STRENGTHENS ME.”

“There are two questions that confront the people of every place and time, questions that confront you and me today: Are you satisfied with the direction the world is moving in? Are you satisfied with your life?”

MATTHEW KELLY
Taken from Rediscover the Saints

Eucharistic Celebration Of Divine Mercy

St. Joseph Cathedral
2305 West Main Street
Jefferson City, Mo 65109
October 17, 2020

Join in an afternoon of Spiritual Refreshment as prayers are offered for our Church and Nation featuring Father Anthony Viviano and the music of Donna Cori. We will begin at noon, with a Eucharistic and Marian Procession on the Cathedral grounds followed by Benediction and Rosary. Father Viviano will read Jesus’ messages of Mercy, Justice, and Hell from the Diary of St. Faustina. Donna Cori, with her beautiful voice, will complement the program with songs of praise to our Lord Jesus and His Blessed Mother. She will close the day by singing the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

SCHEDULE
12:00 p.m. Eucharistic and Marian Procession
12:15 p.m. Benediction
12:50 p.m. Donna Cori **Eucharistic Song
1:00 p.m. Father Viviano ** Jesus, Faustina, Mercy, Justice, Hell
1:45 p.m. Donna Cori ** Hail Mary Gentle Woman
1:50 p.m. Break
2:10 p.m. Rosary
2:30 p.m. Donna Cori **Our Catholic Faith
3:10 p.m. Divine Mercy in Song—Donna Cori
3:30 p.m. Close

The Diocese of Jefferson City Women’s Ministry is partnering with the Jefferson City Salvation Army to

Feed the Hungry

Until further notice - COVID-19 Changes:
Drop-off of meals at SA 4:30pm on your confirmed date
Service trays and containers are already at SA
Service for approximately 60 people,
Large serving quantities are requested due to no 2nds or refills
Community Homeless will pick up their meal as a to-go item
With your meal please include a couple of flats of bottled water and other bottled drinks (tea, gatorade, lemonade, etc.)

The need is real, the need is now!

If you are interested in being a part of this beautiful opportunity to serve others, please contact Virginia Shelder at 573-619-0004 or email vbcare@comcast.net

Matthew 25:35

All Are Welcome To Join Us
Families, Co-workers, Friends

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**St. Stanislaus in Wardsville Fall Supper:** Drive through only, will be on Sunday October 11, 2020. Serving fried chicken, whole hog sausage, real mashed potatoes, green beans and sauerkraut from 11:00am to 6:00pm. Cost is $12.00.

**Guardian Angels Parish Fall Dinner (Brinktown, MO):** Curbside Pick Up & Carry-Out (no indoor seating), Sunday, October 11, in Brinktown. Serving Fresh Whole Hog Sausage, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Sauerkraut & Coleslaw from 11 AM to 5:30 PM. Cost is $12 per plate. No Live Quilt Auction, but an online Quilt Sale on Guardian Angels Facebook Page.

**St. Joseph Parish Fall Festival (Westphalia, MO):** Sunday, October 18th. Serving from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Drive thru only - $12 per meal. German Pot Roast, Fresh Pork Sausage with Real Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, and Green Beans. Live Quilt & Pie Auction 2 p.m. in school gym. To view quilts or obtain bid forms go to www.stjosephwestphalia.org. Country Store, Raffles, 50-25-25 Raffle, and Kettle Corn.

**Wardsville Walk for Life:** will be held Sunday, October 18th. Walk begins at 11:30 a.m. at St. Stanislaus church and all proceeds go to the Lions Club. Activities will be held outdoors in the back of the Lions Club building, under the pavilion. Please support this cause to defend the lives of the unborn! Thank you!

**Shooting Match (Osage Bend, MO):** Sunday, October 18th. Starting at 10:30 a.m. at St. Margaret’s Parish Hall. 12 & 20 gauge shotguns, 2 rounds will be shot for shotguns. **NO SCOPES ARE ALLOWED.**

**Italian Night (Immaculate Conception Parish, Jefferson City, MO):** Drive-Thru Dinner and Prize Drawing! Saturday, October 24th from 4 - 7 p.m. $8.00 per person and located in Kertz Hall parking lot. Take home a Pasta Entrée with sides and dessert! Plus have a chance to win prizes including: $300 cash, $250 cash, and $100 cash, Samsun 65”m 4K UHD Smart TV, Samsung Soundbar with 3D Surround Sound/Acoustic Beam, Apple AirPods & Charging Case.

**St. Andrew Church K of C Chicken Dinner (Holts Summit, MO):** Fried Chicken Drive Thru Dinner $12. White or dark meat (3 pieces) + biscuit, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, slaw, and peach cobbler. Sunday, November 1 at St. Andrews (400 St. Andrew Drive), Holts Summit 11am - 5pm.

**Forty Days for Life continues in Columbia:** An estimated 43 babies have been saved from abortions in the fall campaign as 588 cities are praying across the nation for the end of abortion. At Columbia Planned Parenthood, 711 N Providence Rd, there have been two hopefuls who have been given help to make another choice besides abortion. The team invites you to spend an hour with Jesus these 40 days ending on Sunday, Nov. 1. The hours of prayer are 8 am to 6 pm daily and a team member will be there to greet you. You will not be alone. A closing rally dinner will be held on Nov. 14 at St Andrew in Holts Summit. You can schedule your time by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/columbiamo or call Kathy Forck at 573-821-5130.

**60th Annual Bazaar & Turkey Dinner (Cathedral of St. Joseph):** will be a drive-thru dinner on Sunday, November 8, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The meal will include turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, green beans and a dinner roll from Colton’s Steakhouse as well as homemade coleslaw and cranberry sauce for $12. Raffle tickets for a quilt, donated items, and cash prizes will be for sale.

**Covenant Network:** Keep your radio set on 88.1 FM, Covenant Network Catholic radio. You are sure to find many educational and inspirational programs to nurture your faith and devotional programs throughout the day and night-time hours to support and enrich your faith life. In addition to the radio station, you can listen live, day or night, on our free Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org.

### CHURCH CLEANING POLICY: If you are unable to work on your assigned date, let your coordinator know and turn in your $15 to the parish office. Coordinators listed below. Students who are seeking service hours are welcome to help clean. Please contact the weekly coordinator to verify when you will be there (1-2 hours Saturday morning, or occasionally a Friday evening).

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**Area Churches - Every 1st and 3rd Monday, at St. Stanislaus Church, prayer service for an end to, and truth regarding Covid-19. 7-7:30 p.m.**

St. Joseph parish in Westphalia will hold a Patriotic prayer service at 6 p.m. one Sunday each month. Dates include Oct 11, Nov. 15 and Dec. 13.

**Please continue to pray for the healing and quick recovery of Father Michal W. Penn!**

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